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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the subject continuation application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2-10.